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## Hongkong, JANUARY 28TH, 1886.

small boys who are sent by their parents or guardians to bring the daily household supply, and who have to wait an indefinite period while the water cools fill their strings of buckets. When a constable is stationed at the Tank he should see, and always does so if a European, that there is fair play—that the water carriers take their proper turn—but in his absence the right of the strongest is the only law that prevails, and any protest against it leads to a most volatile outpouring of foul language and scalding abuse, varied by an occasional scrimmage, which is always accompanied by deafening noise and frantic obtrusions. Seeing that the Tanks are situated at the junction of five streets, and that so large a section of the Chinese population derive their water supply from them, it is surely not too much to ask that a constable should be detailed for duty at this spot during the hours the water is procurable, to preserve the peace and regulate the movements of the carriers. The reasonableness of this suggestion will, we venture to believe, commend itself to Captain Drane. If for no other reason, it is desirable that the air should not be charged with obscenity on a spot in the vicinity of which the scholars of the Hongkong Public School loiter and play before and after school hours. We may add that numerous other smaller children, girls as well as boys, who pass the Tanks on their way to and from school, have to run the gauntlet of bad language which unhappily most of them, from their knowledge of the vernacular, understand too well.

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The British gunboat *Spica* went round to the Aberdeen dock yesterday.

The Portuguese gunboat *Do Lobo*, Captain Andrade, left here yesterday for Macao.

The French gunboat *Aspic*, 4. Captain de Jonquieres, left here yesterday morning at 7 o'clock for the South.

We learn that the German gunboat *Iltis*, Commander Hoffmeier, now at Canton, will shortly leave that port for a cruise on the coast of Tonkin and Annam, and will call at Hoihow, Haikou, Haiphong, Ien, Bourane, Quinhon, and Cochin.

The British steamer *Glenarvin*, Captain Norman, which was in collision with the Dutch steamer *Cimone*, and whose crew was decimated in the action at the Supreme Court of Trade, is advertised to sail for London on the 4th proximo.

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## EXTRACT.

## QUEER STORY.

The Reverend Mr. Texter, Vicar of Dottington, and his pretty daughter, Daisy, were having a little-drama one brilliant August morning in the pleasant little room which the Vicar called his study. That the little-drama was not altogether of an agreeable nature was very evident from the agitation of the vicar and the vehemence of his father—a pugnacious, ecclesiastic with several chins and a portly, self-satisfied manner.

"I don't consider that he's fit man to be your husband," the Vicar roared, after a pause in the talk. "I think one has only to look at the style and cut of his clothes to form a very fair estimate of the sort of life he leads in town. I know him to be in debt, to disfigure his mother tongue with the most hideous of metropolitan slang, to drink between meals—and yet you, Daisy Texter, daughter of the Vicar of Dottington, sit and seal that you never can, and never will love any other man. It's quite—but, gracious me! There's nine o'clock striking, and the confirmation's at ten, so that the Bishop will be here at quarter to, and I haven't had time to take my morning swim—thanks to your foolish love-sick chatter. Still, if I can't get now, there's just time for a hurried dip, and as I'm nothing without it, and as it will clear my head and freshen me up for the duties of the day, I will go, and we defer our further discussion until a more convenient opportunity," saying which, the Vicar left the room by the door, and the girl slowly went out by the French window, crossed the lawn, and descended into a narrow, shady lane, where was waiting a young gentleman with a honest brown face, who was attired in a sleek suit of dittos which, although of ordinary London cut, had produced no small impression from the variety of his lines on the obscure villagers, who rarely saw anything but the parson's broadcloth and the presents' corduroy.

"It's no use, Gerald!" she exclaimed, when that man, "the Vicar," in an awful temper this morning, and has been calling me all sorts of horrid names for loving you and declaring that I would continue to do so."

Mr. Gerald Maldon, who was the son of the Squire of Dottington, took the girl to his arm and, kissing her quivering lips, said, "What's his objection to me, Daisy?"

"Why, he says you are what is called 'fast,'" replied the girl; "and doesn't like your style of life, your style of conversation, nor your style of—of dress, dear."

"Style of dress, by Jove!" exclaimed the young man, surveying the suit he had on with no little complacency. "Surely he doesn't judge a fellow by his dress. Why, when the Bishop was at our house last spring I would have given the old fellow eight-toothes for all he had on!"

"That reminds me, Gerald," said Daisy, "there's a confirmation to-day, so the Bishop is coming, and the whole place will be up in arms. This, perhaps has worried poor a little, therefore matters may not really be so bad as they now appear. He, however, need not mind; and he pulled the surplus down at the sides until it split at the neck with a crack, and exposed the collar of Gerald's 'asside shooting coat,' as its present wearer styled it. The perspiration now stood out in great beads on the poor Vicar's forehead; his hands were hot as fire, and he performed his part of the ceremony in such a nervous, agitated manner that the bumble thought he was going to be ill, and brought him a glass of water."

The unfortunate Vicar, who saw the Bishop looking at him, determined that the moment the ceremony was concluded, and he should have an opportunity in the vestry, he would tell the whole story to his Grace. But when the moment came, he was so overwhelmed with confusion that he was dumb, and he mistook the burly Vicar in the Bishop's eye for a look of scorn and indignation.

"Really, Mr. Texter," said the Prelate at length, "you must excuse me if I remark upon the exceedingly clerical style of dress in which you have appeared upon so solemn and publican occasion."

"My Lord," gasped the Vicar, "appearances are against me, I acknowledge."

When I have related to you what has happened, I think you will admit that under the circumstances I followed the only course open to me; and, although I am fully aware that clericalism, as a rule, not often in garments of such a pattern as those I am wearing at this moment, I think you will admit that I should have fallen far more short of merit if I had not put in an appearance at all!"

So Mr. Texter related to the Bishop the morning's adventure.

"Well, Sir," said the Bishop, when the Vicar had finished, "all that I can say is that you are very deeply indebted to the person who made such a self-sacrifice in order to extricate you from your unfortunate dilemma."

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"May I ask the name of your friend in need?" continued the Bishop.

"Gerald Maldon," replied the Vicar.

"What! Gerald! Maldon! the son of my old college chum?" asked the Bishop, with astonishment.

"The same, my Lord."

This new burst upon the worthy Bishop was a revelation. He was aware of Gerald's love for Daisy Texter, and also of the difficulties that had been thrown in his way by her father. He therefore soon formed an opinion of his own as to how the little accident had occurred to the Vicar's clothing.

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the governor about a quarter of an hour back."

This was not strictly true, but it had the desired effect of intensifying the Vicar's agony.

"But I say, Mr. Maldon," said the wretched Vicar, "what am I to do? I haven't time to get any fresh things from the Vicarage. I can't go to the church as I am—no, I don't mean that. But really I don't believe any man was ever in such a predicament before. What can I do?"

"Well," said Gerald, "there's only one way out of the difficulty that I can suggest. My suit is not, perhaps, of a particularly clever cut and colour, but it wouldn't show much under a simple, and you could run over to the church in it without anybody noticing you. Why shouldn't you put it on?"

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"Oh, it doesn't matter about me," replied Gerald; "I've nothing to do, and I've lots of tobacco, and shall enjoy myself all right here."

"But how can I assist at a confirmation in a kind of seaside shooting suit? Still, I suppose there's nothing else to be done. There's no risk of striking, and the confirmation's at ten, so that the Bishop will be here at quarter to, and I haven't had time to take my morning swim—thanks to your foolish love-sick chatter. Still, if I can't get now, there's just time for a hurried dip, and as I'm nothing without it, and as it will clear my head and freshen me up for the duties of the day, I will go, and we defer our further discussion until a more convenient opportunity," saying which, the Vicar left the room by the door, and the girl slowly went out by the French window, crossed the lawn, and descended into a narrow, shady lane, where was waiting a young gentleman with a honest brown face, who was attired in a sleek suit of dittos which, although of ordinary London cut, had produced no small impression from the variety of his lines on the obscure villagers, who rarely saw anything but the parson's broadcloth and the presents' corduroy.

The Vicar arrived at the church just as the clock was striking half-past ten. To his horror, the first person to meet him was the Bishop, who fairly staggered at the spectacle presented by the most precise and pompous ministrant in his diocese.

"Extremely sorry, my lord!" panted the exhausted Vicar. "Had an accident—explain all afterwards!" The Bishop said nothing, but his look spoke volumes although, being a prelate of an ominously humorous disposition, he of course saw that some contumacy had happened.

What the poor Vicar underwent during that interminable service nobody but himself knew. The surprise he wore was short; Gerald Maldon's trousers were long. The sun shone down full upon him as he stood within the chancel, and he felt that the eyes of the whole congregation, from the country-folk in the high pews to the country-boobies in the low benches, were fixed upon the astounding neither garments of the man who had never been known to relax so far from orthodox broadcloth as even to put on cricketing flannels. It was in vain he tried to hide himself; it was in vain that he endeavoured to pay a proper attention to the ceremony at which he was assisting. He edged, he manoeuvred, he dodged; and he pulled the surplus down at the sides until it split at the neck with a crack, and exposed the collar of Gerald's "asside shooting coat," as its present wearer styled it. The perspiration now stood out in great beads on the poor Vicar's forehead; his hands were hot as fire, and he performed his part of the ceremony in such a nervous, agitated manner that the bumble thought he was going to be ill, and brought him a glass of water.

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